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*To the Chairman and Members of the
Urban District Council.*

Gentlemen,

I beg to submit my Report for the year ending December 31st, 1937.

I am sorry to say that the Cotton trade has not improved. The largest Mill in the district—Mersey Mill—has been razed to the ground. People are leaving the district, whilst those who remain are obliged to find work elsewhere. There is also an element coming into the area, the kind who are here to-day and gone to-morrow. These people do the district no good and should be discouraged from coming.

With a good Sewage Scheme the District could be developed into a residential one.

To think of it ever being a prosperous cotton manufacturing area again must be ruled out of the question. New industries must be found to take the place of the old.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

We have been very fortunate in not having an epidemic of Diphtheria, seeing that there has been an epidemic in the surrounding districts.

UNEMPLOYMENT.

The number of unemployed in your area at the end of December, 1937, were as follows:—

TOTALLY UNEMPLOYED.

	Men.	Boys.	Women.	Girls.
Broadbottom	76	1	40	—
Mottram	18	—	18	—
Hollingworth	79	—	52	—
Tintwistle... ..	9	1	21	—

SHORT TIME WORKERS.

	Men.	Boys.	Women.	Girls.
Broadbottom	18	—	10	—
Mottram	10	3	13	1
Hollingworth	66	4	82	9
Tintwistle... ..	9	1	31	1

BIRTH RATE.

The Birth Rate for the district is 9.7 compared with 14.9 for England and Wales.

DEATH RATE.

During the year there were registered 58 deaths. The Death Rate is 12.2 compared with 12.4 for England and Wales.

INFANTILE MORTALITY.

Two children under the age of one year died, being equal to a Death Rate of 43 per 1,000 live births compared with 58 for England and Wales.

CAMPING GROUNDS.

There are four Camps in your district. They are supplied with water and the sanitary conveniences are satisfactory. They are inspected regularly by your Inspector.

HOUSING AND LIGHTING.

One new house was built during 1937. Nearly all houses are now lighted by electricity; also, a good deal of cooking is done by it. The streets and secondary roads are all lighted with electricity.

I should like to thank Mr. Haynes, your Sanitary Inspector, for his kind assistance, and the efficient manner in which he has carried out his work.

I remain, gentlemen,

Yours obediently,

GEORGE J. AWBURN, B.Hy.,

Medical Officer of Health.

Statistical.

The following are general statistics for the year 1937:—

Area (in Acres)	3,547
Registrar General's Estimate of Population for Statistical Purposes	4,720
Comparability Factor... ..	0.91
Number of Inhabited Houses (end of 1937), according to Rate Books	1,682
Rateable Value	£22,722
Sum represented by a penny rate	£94 13s. 6d. gross. £84 0s. 0d. nett.
Live Births: Legitimate	23 males, 22 females, total 45
Illegitimate	no males, 1 female, total 1
Still Births	2
Deaths	58
Birth Rate	9.7
Death Rate	12.2
Deaths from diseases and accidents of pregnancy and child birth	Nil.
Death Rate of Infants under one year of age:—	
All Infants per 1,000 live births	43
Legitimate infants per 1,000 legitimate live births	43
Illegitimate infants per 1,000 illegitimate live births	Nil.
Deaths from Measles and Whooping Cough	Nil.
Deaths from Diarrhœa (under two years of age)	Nil.

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES.

Hospital.—A Fever Hospital is situated in Mottram Moor. There are six male and six female beds. The cost of upkeep is divided between the Longdendale U.D.C. and Tintwistle R.D.C.

Serious cases of Diphtheria or Membranous Croup are sent to the Hyde Borough Fever Hospital.

Smallpox.—Beds are retained in the Hartshead Smallpox Hospital for cases occurring in the district.

Tuberculosis.—Cases of Tuberculosis attend the clinic in Hyde provided by the County Council. On the recommendation of the County Council Tuberculosis Officer, cases are sent to sanatoria.

Maternity.—There is no Maternity Home in the district, but an increasing number of women are availing themselves of the facilities offered by the Lake Hospital and District Infirmary, Ashton-under-Lyne, and the Partington Maternity Home, Glossop.

Children.—Children requiring hospital treatment either go to the Children's Hospital, Pendlebury, Manchester, or to the District Infirmary, Ashton-under-Lyne. Both of these institutions are supported by voluntary subscriptions.

Ambulance Facilities.—For infectious cases the infectious hospital ambulance at Hyde is used. For non-infectious and accident cases an arrangement is made with the Hyde and Glossop Corporations to send their ambulances.

CLINICS AND TREATMENT CENTRES.

<i>Clinics.</i>	<i>Situation.</i>	<i>Accommodation.</i>	<i>By whom provided.</i>
Child Welfare	Hollingworth	—	County Council
Day Nurseries	None	—	
School Clinics	Doctor Visits School	—	County Council
Tuberculosis	Hyde	Consultative	County Council
Venereal Disease	Ashton Infirmary	Treatment	County Council

Public Health Officers.—The Staff consists of a part-time Medical Officer of Health and a Sanitary Inspector. The salaries of both are subsidised by Exchequer grants.

Professional Nursing.—There are two District Nurses in your district. One for Mottram and Broadbottom, whose salary is chiefly derived from the Elizabeth Beardoe Chapman Charity and voluntary subscriptions. There is also one for Hollingworth, supported by voluntary subscriptions.

Midwives.—There is one Midwife practising in the district—she is subsidised by the County Council and resides in Hollingworth.

WATER SUPPLY.

The public water supply is excellent, being obtained from springs situated above Arnfield.

A good report was obtained from a sample sent for analysis.

A sample of water collected from the supply to Roe Cross was sent for a Bacteriological examination. The report was not satisfactory, proving there was some contamination. The supply was traced and found to be contaminated by surface water. This was stopped, and on another sample being sent, the report was satisfactory.

The private water supply to 26 houses, Market Street, Broadbottom, and 5 houses and one club, King Street, Broadbottom, was reported to be bad on Bacteriological examination. Owing to the nature of the ground it was not possible to make a thorough examination of the supply. Consequently, I recommended the Council to serve Notices on the owner to cut off their private supply and link up with the public one.

Hattersley is supplied from wells. In some cases the water is contaminated and very unsatisfactory.

PREVENTION OF BLINDNESS.

Persons suffering from diseases of the eye which may lead to blindness are sent to the Royal Eye Hospital, Manchester, or to the District Infirmary, Ashton-under-Lyne.

A lady health visitor visits the blind every fortnight.

TUBERCULOSIS.

No person suffering from Tuberculosis in any of its forms is connected with the distribution of milk or has been compulsorily removed to a hospital.

New Cases and Mortality during 1937.

Age Periods.	NEW CASES.						DEATHS.			
	Respiratory.			Non- Respiratory.			Respiratory.		Non- Respiratory.	
	M.	F.	...	M.	F.	...	M.	F.	...	...
15-25	—	1	...	—	—	...	—	—	...	—
55-65	1	—	...	—	—	...	—	—	...	—
1- 5	—	—	...	—	1	...	—	—	...	1
5-15	—	—	...	2	2	...	—	—	...	—
15-25	—	—	...	—	1	...	—	—	...	—
35-45	—	—	...	1	—	...	—	1	...	—
Totals	1	1	...	3	4	...	—	1	...	1

According to a report issued by the County M.O.H., 4.98 per 1,000 of population from your district are suffering from Tuberculosis in one of its forms. This is very creditable, being the seventh lowest in the County of Chester.

Of the two new cases of Respiratory Tuberculosis, one was sent for Sanatorium treatment and the other went to reside in the Borough of Stalybridge.

Eighteen specimens of Sputum were sent to the laboratory at Chester. Four were positive and fourteen negative.

Notifiable Diseases during the Year 1937.

	Total cases notified	Cases admitted to Hospital.	Total Deaths.
Diphtheria	6	3	1
Scarlet Fever	7	Nil	Nil
Pneumonia... ..	5	Nil	Nil
Erysipelas	2	Nil	Nil

Analysis of the total Notified Cases under the following age groups :—

Diphtheria	5-10	1
	10-15	4
	15-20	1
Scarlet Fever	2- 3	1
	4- 5	1
	5-10	5
Pneumonia	20-35	3
	45-65	1
	65+	1
Erysipelas	45-65	2

Diphtheria.—As this disease was prevalent in the surrounding districts, all suspicious throats were swabbed and where a case of Diphtheria was discovered all contacts were swabbed.

In one house there were three cases of diphtheria and two carriers. The latter were isolated until we got two negative swabs.

In this case there was a defective drain. Whether this was the cause of the diphtheria I should not like to say. As regards the other cases, they had been working in a district where there were a number of cases. Three cases were taken to hospital and three nursed at home. There was one death. There is no systematic immunization provided by the Council, but Medical Practitioners immunize patients who desire it.

Scarlet Fever.—These cases were mild. They were isolated and nursed at home.

All the houses were fumigated on termination of the disease.

Sanitary Inspection of Area.

(Vide Sanitary Inspector's Report).

SCHOOLS.

There are four Schools in your district, one in Hollingworth, two in Mottram and one in Broadbottom. They are all well built, with a good water supply, sufficient air space and good lighting.

SEWERAGE AND DRAINAGE.

What I said in my report for 1936 appertains at the end of 1937. There has been no extension of the sewers. Engineers have been asked to report on the cost of sewerage the whole district.

I cannot trace any fever or other disease due to lack of proper drainage and sewerage.

However, in the 20th century we expect the Water Carriage system to be universal, and, where possible ought to be.

MILK SUPPLY.

The villages are supplied with milk from the surrounding farms. Samples of milk are taken by the County Council and tested for T.B. and adulteration. I am unable to get the results of the tests for T.B. and cannot say whether there have been any cases. As regards Adulteration, I refer you to Mr. Hallard's report.

There are three purveyors of accredited milk in your area.

ADULTERATION.

Food and Drugs (Adulteration) Act, 1928.

Particulars of samples taken under the above Act in the Longdendale Urban District during the year ended 31st December, 1937, as reported by Mr. Hallard, Chief Inspector to the Cheshire County Council:—

Name of Sample.	No. obtained.	No. adulterated.
Butter	1	 —
Cheshire Cheese... ..	1	 —
Cough Candy	1	 —
Female Powder	1	 —
Meat Pie	1	 —
Milk... ..	18	 2
Nerve Tablets... ..	1	 —
Sild	1	 —
Sild in Tomato Sauce ...	1	 —
Vinegar (Raspberry) ...	1	 —
	27	 2

Particulars of Adulterated Samples.

Milk ... 4.5% extraneous water...	Seller prosecuted. (Case dismissed. Hunt v. Richardson pleaded)
Milk ... 16.4% extraneous water...	Seller prosecuted and ordered to pay £5/12/0 costs.

Housing.

STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR, 1937.

1. Inspection of Dwelling-houses during the year:—

(1) (a) Total number of dwelling-houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts)	180
(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose...	200
(2) (a) Number of dwelling-houses (included under sub-head (1) above which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations, 1925	Nil.
(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose ..	Nil.
(3) Number of dwelling-houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation	9
(4) Number of dwelling-houses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceding sub-head) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation	59

2. Remedy of Defects during the Year without Service of formal Notices:—

Number of defective dwelling-houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their officers... ..	59
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3. Action under Statutory Powers during the Year:—

(a).—Proceedings under sections 9, 10 and 16 of the Housing Act, 1936:—

(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs	Nil.
(2) Number of dwelling-houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices	Nil.
(a) By owners... ..	Nil.
(b) By local authority in default of owners	Nil.

(b).—Proceedings under Public Health Acts:—

(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied	Nil.
(2) Number of dwelling-houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices:—	
(a) By owners... ..	Nil.
(b) By local authority in default of owners	Nil.

- (c).—Proceedings under sections 11 and 13 of the Housing Act, 1936:—
- | | |
|--|---|
| (1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made | 2 |
| (2) Number of dwelling-houses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders | 2 |
- (d).—Proceedings under section 12 of the Housing Act, 1936:—
- | | |
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| (1) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which closing orders were made | Nil. |
| (2) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were determined, the tenement or room having been rendered fit | Nil. |
- 4. Housing Act, 1936.—Part IV—Overcrowding.**
- (a).—(i) Number of dwellings overcrowded at the end of the year 4
- (ii) Number of families dwelling therein 4
- (iii) Number of persons dwelling therein 35
- (b).—Number of new cases of overcrowding reported during the year Nil.
- (c).—(i) Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during the year Nil.
- (ii) Number of persons concerned in such cases Nil.

INSPECTION OF FACTORIES, WORKSHOPS, and WORKPLACES.

Including Inspections made by Sanitary Inspectors or Inspectors of Nuisances.

Premises.	Number of Inspections.	Number of Written Notices.	Number of Occupiers prosecuted.
Factories	12 ...	Nil. ...	Nil.
(Including Factory Laundries)			
Workshops	25 ...	Nil. ...	Nil.
(Including Works'p Laundries)			
Workplaces	Nil. ...	Nil. ...	Nil.
(Other than Outworkers' Premises)			
Total	37 ...	Nil. ...	Nil.

VETERINARY INSPECTOR'S REPORT.

LONGDENDALE URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL, 1937.

CARCASES INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED.

	Cattle, and Cows.	Cows.	Calves.	Sheep and Lambs.	Pigs.
Number killed... ..	210	26	20	1095	182
Number inspected ...	160	26	Nil.	850	150
<i>Disease except Tuberculosis—</i>					
Whole carcase con- demned	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.
Carcases of which some part or organ con- demned	4	4	Nil.	10	Nil.
Percentage of number inspected with disease other than Tuberculosis	2.5	15.0	Nil.	1.0	Nil.
<i>Tuberculosis only—</i>					
Whole carcases con- demned	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.
Carcases part or organ condemned	2	5	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.
Percentage of number inspected	1.2	19.2	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.

A. F. Bett, M.R.C.V.S., Veterinary Inspector,

Longdendale U.D. Council.

Hollingworth Child Welfare Centre.

* MEDICAL OFFICER'S REPORT FOR 1937.

Medical Officer: Ernest Talbot, M.B., Ch.B.

Health Visitor: Miss A. Bullough, S.C.M., S.R.N., R.S.I.

The meetings are held fortnightly (on Wednesdays) at St. Mary's School, Hollingworth.

During the year the Centre was opened on twenty-five occasions. The following are the figures of attendances:—

Total number of attendances	548
Total number seen by Medical Officer...	233
Average attendance per meeting	22
Number of new cases attending	46

The attendances for the year, and the interest of the mothers have been well maintained. Though the Centre was only opened on twenty-five occasions, as compared with twenty-six the previous year, the number of attendances shows an increase. The infants have been well clothed and clean, and the standard of health has been good. The knowledge that periodic supervision of the health of their infants is available, and the fact that a safe milk supply can be purchased at a reasonable cost (a consideration at the present time) should encourage the mothers to bring their infants to the Centre. The Welfare Centre is not a charity and should not be regarded as such. These Centres have been organised by the health authorities to ensure the *any* young infant should have every opportunity of making a good start in life, for the foundation of which good health is of prime importance. In this world of keen competition it is obvious that the maintenance of sound health will be a more important factor than ever in the years that lie ahead of the younger generation.

Fortunately, unemployment in the district does not appear to have had any adverse or marked effect upon the health of the infants attending the Centre, but one has to bear in mind that where a family is living on short rations, it is usually the younger members who fare best, and therefore it is rarely that we see underfed and undernourished infants at the Clinic. When it is found that a mother is unable to provide the milk essential for her baby, a grant of free milk can be obtained by bringing this fact to the notice of the Health Visitor.

Sometimes, in spite of the most careful nursing and feeding by the mother, the infant steadily goes down hill, and loses weight rapidly. Such cases demand more care and attention, and often treatment that cannot be got at home. In these circumstances the Centre can be of service. For example, one infant weighed less at three months old than when it was born. This was obviously a case requiring constant and experienced nursing and treatment. Through the good offices of the President of the Ladies' Committee arrangements were made for this infant to be admitted to a hospital where the sole occupation of the staff consists in nursing delicate babies back to health. The infant in question eventually returned home completely recovered, and has continued to make good progress. It is very doubtful whether this child would have survived at home. I mention this case merely to point out the advantage of having members of the Ladies Committee who are interested in Infant Welfare and are willing to give their time to such deserving and practical work.

Where it is considered that a child requires some special treatment, such as dental and sunlight treatment, or the removal of tonsils and adenoids, arrangements may be made by the County Health Authority for this to be carried out.

Advantage has been taken of such services during the year, with decided improvement in general health in all cases. Such treatment is, however, only arranged after reference to, or at the request of the patient's own doctor.

The Toddlers' Days which are held quarterly on the first Centre Day of February, May, August and November, are arranged, primarily, with the object of encouraging the attendance of children between the ages of two and five years. Judging by the increasing number of children attending on these days, it appears that the mothers appreciate this innovation. This fact is welcomed, for it is important that medical supervision of infants should continue *after* they have reached the age of two years. Thereby physical defects and ill-health could be detected during their early stages, and so ensure that a child starting school would have the best possible health and physique. Our duty then, is to supervise the health of the child until the time when this charge is undertaken by the School Medical Officer.

Nurse Barker retired from her post of Health Visitor on May 26th. For many years she has worked enthusiastically and conscientiously on behalf of the infants in the district. Many mothers will not readily forget her outspoken criticism on matters relating to the health, nursing and feeding of their children. We wish Nurse Barker health and contentment in her retirement. She has been succeeded by Nurse Bullough, who took up her duties on June 9th. She is efficient, capable and tactful, and undoubtedly well qualified to give useful and practical advice in her capacity of Health Visitor. I feel sure the mothers will appreciate her services.

Thanks and appreciation are due to the Ladies' Committee for the willing services and help which have always been so freely given.

ERNEST TALBOT, M.B., Ch.B.

Sanitary's Inspector's Report

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1937.

*To the Chairman and Members of the Longdendale
Urban District Council.*

Gentlemen,

I herewith submit to you my Annual Report of various work, inspections, etc., carried out during the year 1937.

HOUSING.

Detached Houses Erected.

One, situate Stalybridge Road, Mottram, for Mr. H. L. Buckley.

Additions to Houses.

Porch, at No. 44, Hyde Road, Mottram.

Larder and Scullery at No. 6, Church Brow, Mottram.

Garages Erected. (Temporary Buildings, Wood Structures).

One, West End Saw Mills, Broadbottom.

One, Samuel Street, Hollingworth.

One, Green Lane, Hollingworth.

One, Coach Road, Hollingworth.

One, Old Road, Mottram.

One, No. 6, Hyde Road, Mottram.

One, Mottram Moor (Police Station).

One, No. 6, Church Brow.

One, No. 217, Broadbottom Road, Mottram (Permanent Building).

Sheds, Wood Structures (Temporary Buildings).

One, No. 1, Gorsey Brow, Broadbottom.

One, No. 45, Taylor Street, Hollingworth.

Other Buildings Erected.

One Mortuary, at Council Offices, Hollingworth.

One Cowshed, at Leylands Farm, Broadbottom.

One Dairy, at Woolley Farm, Hollingworth.

Piggeries, at Mill Hill Farm, Mottram.

One Petrol Pump and Tank, at West End Saw Mills, Broadbottom.

HOUSING ACT, 1930.

Houses dealt with under section 19 of the above Act:—

No. of Houses.	Numbered.	Situate.	Houses			
			Houses closed.	Houses Demolished.	Houses Proceedings Pending.	Houses Inhabitants.
2	...	The Knowl, Hollingworth	—	—	2	No. 10 Vacant
						No. 12 5
1	...	Spout Green Do.	1	—	—	1
1	...	Wednesough Rd. Do.	—	1	—	3
1	...	Old Hall Lane, Mottram	—	1	—	11
1	...	Fern Cottage, Stockport Rd., Mottram	—	—	1	2
3	...	No. 25, 27 & 29 Church Brow, Mottram	—	—	3	No. 25 1
						No. 27 1
						No. 29 Vacant
			1	2	6	24

Houses Demolished (without Notices having been served on Owners).

One House, Higher Bank, Hollingworth: Demolished owing to same being in close proximity to Brook-course forming part of Manchester Corporation Waterworks Catchment Area for water supply for domestic purposes.

Houses Closed (without Notices having been served on Owners).

Five Houses, No. 6, 8, 10, 12 and 14, Brick Street, Broad-bottom. *Note:* The situation of same not satisfactory, rear of houses abutting on land about 10 yards from Railway Viaduct.

Housing Act, 1930 (Section 19).

Houses made fit for human habitation after Closing Order having been served on owners (Year 1936):—

House, No. 2, Coach Road, Hollingworth.

Overcrowding.

There were four cases of Overcrowding required to be dealt with under the above heading as per 1936 report.

During the year compliance with the regulations have been carried out. There are now no cases of overcrowding in the district.

WATER SUPPLY.

	Broad-bottom Ward.	Mottram Ward.	Hollingworth Ward.	TOTAL.
Approximate number of Houses served by Local Water Supply	339	169	641	1449
Approximate number of Houses on Private Water Supply ... †35	79	†13		48
Wells, Pumps, Springs *44			72	
		*59	77	180
Total	418	541	718	1677

† Populous Area. * Outdistricts.

Samples of Water Taken and sent for Analysis.

Two from Tank at rear of Roe Cross Farm, Hollingworth. Capacity of Tank, 500 gallons.

One from Tank in field at north side of King Street, Broadbottom. Capacity of Tank, 1,800 gallons.

For details of results see M.O.H. report.

Average Daily Water Consumption.

Mottram and Broadbottom Wards.	Population Served.	Galls. per head Consumed.
41,428 galls.	2,368	 17.49
Hollingworth Ward.		
37,720 galls.	1,910	 19.37
Total.		
79,148 galls.	4,278	
Other Services, Mills, Clubs, etc.		
2,280 galls.		

Galls.

Average Daily Consumption in District	81,428
Average Daily Consumption per head in District... ..	18.50

The source of water supply is from Arnfield Clough and is purchased in bulk from the Manchester Waterworks Commissioners by special agreement, the Council having certain rights and privileges as regards Storage Tanks, etc., at source of supply. The supply is spring water, which is supplemented by water from Brook-course at times when the springs are not yielding the normal flow. An ample supply of water has been maintained during the year.

DESCRIPTION AND APPROXIMATE NUMBER OF SANITARY CONVENIENCES.

	Broad-bottom Ward.	Mottram Ward.	Hollingworth Ward.	TOTAL	Houses Served.	Other Premises.
Ashbins	342	468	508	1318	1598	21
Ashpits	19	8	11	38	77	7
Privies (Pails) .	295	362	*59 +58	774	893	16
Privies (Fixed).	1	—	1	2	2	—
Fresh Water Closets	99	160	519	778	702	29
Waste Water Closets	16	—	43	59	64	—
Hand Flush Closets	2	7	—	9	9	—
Latrines	—	—	12	12	—	—

*Populous Area. †Out-districts.

APPROXIMATE NUMBER OF BATHS.

Private	61	149	143	359	348	1 Club Public
Public (Slipper Baths)	—	—	6			

CONVERSION OF SANITARY CONVENIENCES DURING THE YEAR.

	Broadbottom Ward.	Mottram Ward.	Hollingworth Ward.	TOTAL.
Privies to Pails	—	10 to 10	2 to 2	12 to 12
Privy Middens to Ashbins . . .	—	2 to 2	—	2 to 2
Ashpits to Ashbins... ..	29 to 56	20 to 31	10 to 9	59 to 96
Pails to Fresh Water Closets	1 to 1	2 to 2	32 to 32	35 to 35
Waste Water Closets to Fresh Water Closets	—	—	6 to 6	6 to 6

ADDITIONAL CONVENIENCES.

	Broad bottom	Mottram	Hollingworth	TOTAL
Baths	—	4	4	8
Fresh Water Closets	—	—	2	2
Pail Closets	—	1	—	1
Ashbins	—	1	—	1

DAIRIES, COWKEEPERS, MILK SHOPS, ETC.

The number of Registered Premises in district is as follows :—

	Holling- worth Ward.		Mottram Ward.		Broad- bottom Ward.		TOTAL.
Farms	18	...	19	...	7	...	44
Dairies	16	...	17	...	6	...	39
Cowsheds	27	...	33	...	8	...	68
Cowkeepers & Producers of Milk	16	...	16	...	6	...	38
Cowkeepers (only—not producers)	2	...	3	...	1	...	6

Registered Retail Purveyors of Raw Milk.

Local Producers	16	...	16	...	6	...	38
Local Producers (Shops Supplied)	1	...	1	...	9	...	10
Other Producers (not local)... ..	7	...	—	...	4	...	11
Registered as Wholesale Producers	1	...	—	...	1	...	2

Accredited Milk Supply.

Local Producers and Vendors	1	...	2	...	—	...	3
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Sterilized Bottled Milk

Milk Shops (Retail)	} Not Produced Locally.	6	...	1	...	—	...	7
Vendors (Retail) ...		1	...	1	...	—	...	2
Wholesale Vendors.		1	...	1	...	—	...	2

All premises where milk is produced or retailed have been inspected during the year, and I am pleased to report progress as regards Cowsheds, practically all standing in same are now concreted and properly channelled and are a great improvement. There are also improvements in several of the dairies, appliances having been fixed for dealing with milk and cleansing of utensils, which is essential.

SLAUGHTERHOUSES.

There are now four premises in the district, two Registered and two Licensed. Visits of inspection have been made during the year. One case of neglect of linewashing was observed, and on the owner's attention being drawn to same it was immediately remedied.

BAKEHOUSES AND BAKERIES.

The number of premises registered total 18. They are practically all shop premises, the baking being carried on in back part of the premises. I have made several inspections of same and I have no complaints, the premises having been in accordance with requirements.

RATS AND MICE (Destruction) ACTS.

Any case of Rat Infested premises reported or located in the district is immediately attended to. The method adopted for exterminating the rodents is by laying of Klearwell Rat Biscuits, which are very effective, if the usual precautions are taken.

DISINFECTION AFTER INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

All premises where there have been Infectious cases reported have been disinfected and fumigated, and in particular cases bedding has been removed and destroyed.

Number of premises fumigated, 16.

Bug-Infested Premises.

Seven houses have been dealt with during the year, Intersectides and Fumigants being used in dealing with above premises.

SEWAGE OUTFALL WORKS.

Several samples of the effluent from the Broadbottom and Hollingworth Works have been taken during the year, all results being satisfactory.

NUISANCES.—ACTION TAKEN AND RESULTS.

Sanitary Inspections	1201
Statutory Notices Served	Nil.
Informal Notices Served	90

	Informal Notices Served by Sanitary Inspector.		Legal Notices Served by Local Authority.		Number of Nuisances Abated with or without Notices.
Houses	10	...	—	...	10
Defective Waste Pipes, Traps, Inlets and Drains	7	...	—	...	52
Drains Obstructed	—	...	—	...	24
Drains Defective	—	...	—	...	40
Defective Waste Water Closets	—	...	—	...	10
Defective Fresh Water Closets	—	...	—	...	20
Obstructed Fresh Water Closets	2	...	—	...	31
Defective Pail Closets, Ashpits, Pails & Ashbins... ..	36	...	—	...	108

Other Defects:

Defective Buildings... ..	—	...	—	...	5
Roofs and Eaves Gutters	14	...	—	...	31
Rainwater Pipes	—	...	—	...	3
Soil Pipes	—	...	—	...	—
Chimneys	3	...	—	...	10
Sinks	—	...	—	...	—
Insufficient Ventilation and Defective Windows	7	...	—	...	87
Insufficient Water Supply	4	...	—	...	7
Offensive Accumulations... ..	—	...	—	...	—
Foul Conditions of Houses	—	...	—	...	2
Bug-Infested Premises	—	...	—	...	7
Defective Ranges	1	...	—	...	4
„ Coppers	2	...	—	...	4
„ or no Handrails	2	...	—	...	4
„ Floors	—	...	—	...	—
„ Ceilings	—	...	—	...	—
„ Skirtings	—	...	—	...	—
„ Doors	2	...	—	...	4
Total... ..	90	...	—	...	463

FACTORIES AND WORKSHOPS

The number of premises registered is as follows:

	Holling- worth Ward.	Mottam Ward.	Broad- bottom Ward.	Total.
Textile Works	1	—	—	1
Carpet Works	1	—	—	1
Bleachworks	1	—	—	1
Gas Works	1	—	1	2
Wheelwrights' Shops ...	1	—	—	1
Joiners' Shops... ..	2	—	2	4
Plumbers' Shops	2	—	1	3
Blacksmiths' Shops ...	1	1	—	2
Machine Repairing Shops and Garages Combined	2	1	—	3
Firewood Shops	2	—	—	2
Saw Mills and Portable Building Huts	—	—	1	1
Hairdressers' Shops ...	1	—	1	2
Photographers' Shop ...	1	—	—	1
Potato-Washing Shop ...	1	—	—	1
Tailor's Shop	1	—	—	1
Bakehouses... ..	10	3	5	18
Pellmonger's Premises ...	—	1	—	1
Knacker's Yard	—	1	—	1
	28	7	11	46

In concluding my report I wish to thank the members of the Council and all officials for the loyal help and courtesy extended to me throughout the year.

I am, your obedient servant,

HAROLD HAYNES,

Sanitary Inspector.

June 6th, 1938.

LONGDENDALE URBAN DISTRICT.
Tabular Statement of Sanitary Inspector, Year Ending December 31st, 1937.

Nature of Inspections made	No.	No. of Notices served		Result of Service of Notices	
		Statutory	Informal	Notices complied with	Prosecutions
					Instituted Pending
Dwelling Houses (General Inspections)	180	...	45	45	...
Do. Re-inspections	200	...	...	...	...
Back-to-Back Houses, &c.	20	...	...	...	...
Tents, Vans, Sheds	30	...	...	...	...
Courts, Yards, Passages	50	...	...	...	...
Privy Middens, Earth or Pail Closets, Ashbins	185	...	36	36	...
Fresh Water Closets and Waste Water Closets	156	...	2	2	...
House Drainage...	90	...	7	7	...
Cesspools	20	...	...	...	...
Ditches, Watercourses, &c.	8	...	...	...	...
Offensive Accumulations	4	...	...	...	...
The Keeping of Animals	6	...	...	...	...
Offensive Trades	...	...	...	...	...
(a) Slaughterhouses (Private)	20	...	...	...	...
(b) Other places where food is produced or sold	36	...	...	...	...
Piggeries	6	...	...	...	...
(a) Dairies	50	...	...	...	...
(b) Cowsheds	50	...	...	...	...
(c) Milkshops	10	...	...	...	...
(a) Factories	10	...	...	...	...
(b) Workshops	20	...	...	...	...
(c) Workplaces	...	...	...	...	...
(d) Other Workers' Premises	...	...	...	...	...
Bakehouse (Overground)	25	...	...	...	...
Common Lodging Houses	...	...	...	...	...
Houses Let in Lodgings	...	...	...	...	...
Smoke Observations	...	...	...	...	...
Infectious Disease (Inquiries and Re-visits)	20	...	...	...	...
Water Samples	6	...	...	...	...
Miscellaneous	5	...	...	...	...
TOTALS	1201	...	90	90	...

June 6th, 1938. (Signed) Harold Haynes, Sanitary Inspector.

